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MEMORANDUM FOR: Deputy for Field Activities, OSA  
SUBJECT: E & E/Survival

1. The E & E/Survival Board met 4 October 1963. In attendance were the following persons:

[redacted]

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2. The board recommended that the method developed at [redacted] for rope letdown from parachutes hung up in trees be accepted for immediate operational use in the "I" program, including modification of outer flying suits to carry 100 foot coils of rope. It was also recommended that [redacted] be considered for an Agency Meritorious Award for developing the system.

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3. After discussion of the [redacted] plastic parachute proposal, the board requested a formal briefing by [redacted] Intelligence Division is making arrangements through [redacted]

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4. [redacted] reported that the 35' canopy is too large for the crowded cockpit space in the "I" program. 28' camouflage type chutes will be obtained if available. If not, a solid green design will be utilized.

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flights. Communications Staff is requested to monitor the Agency [redacted] now under contract and keep the board briefed on its status.

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6. The present impasse on cover requirements for field training [redacted] and the history of the problem were discussed. Security and Intelligence will undertake an education program.

7. The wedge sole boot design was decided upon as preferable to the conventional type for the "O" program. Development Division will take action.

8. A proposed Survival Section was briefly discussed. It was agreed that there is a valid need for a Personal Equipment slot in Headquarters to monitor operational PE problems.

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